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TRANSMITTAL LETTER			Case No. 9281/4138 (N US01701)
Serial No. 09/885,871	Filing Date 06/20/2001	Examiner Watko, Julie Anne	Group Art Unit 2652
Inventor(s) Ooshima et al.			
Title of Invention SPIN-VALVE TYPE THIN FILM MAGNETIC ELEMENT			

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Transmitted herewith is Amendment A in response to Office Action mailed July 18, 2003, Submission of Substitute Declaration, Certified Copy of Priority Document, and return receipt post card.

Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR § 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously submitted.

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

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I hereby petition under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for any extension of time required to ensure that this paper is timely filed. Please charge any associated fees which have not otherwise been paid to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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In re Application of: Ooshima et al.)
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For: "Spin Valve Type Thin Film Magnetic Element")
Examiner: Julie A. Watko
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SUBMISSION OF SUBSTITUTE DECLARATION AND CERTIFIED COPY OF PRIORITY DOCUMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the request for a Certified Copy of a claimed Foreign Priority Application made in the Patent Office Action mailed July 18, 2003 in the above referenced application, Applicants have hereby enclosed the Certified

Application No.09/885,871
Amendment dated October 8 2003
Reply to Office Action of August 4, 2003

Copy of the claimed Japanese Application JP 2000-086261 as required under 35 USC 119(b).

In addition, upon further review of the originally filed declaration, a typographical error was noticed in the serial number of one of the priority documents, so Applicants have enclosed a "Substitute Declaration and Power of Attorney for Patent Application" as required under 37 CFR 1.63 and 1.34.

Applicants submit that no fee is required for this submission of missing and replacement documents, however, should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 to 1.21 be deemed necessary for any reason relating to these materials, the Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct said fees from Brinks Hofer Gilson and Lione account number 23-1925.

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